

MINT OF THE UNITED STATES.

MESSAGE

FROM THE

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES,

TRANSMITTING

A Report of the Operations of the Mint during the Year 1832.

JANUARY 21, 1833.

Read, and laid upon the table.

WASHINGTON, 19th January, 1833.

I transmit to Congress a report from the Director of the Mint, exhibiting the operations of that institution during the year 1832.

ANDREW JACKSON.

To the Hon. the SPEAKER
Of the House of Reps. United States.

MINT OF THE UNITED STATES,

Philadelphia, January 15, 1833.

SIR: I have now the honor to submit a report on the general transactions of the Mint during the last year, ending 31st December.

The coinage effected within that period amounts to \$3,401,055, comprising \$798,435 in gold coins, \$2,579,000 in silver, and \$23,620 in copper, and consisting of 9,128,387 pieces of coin, viz.

Half eagles,	-	157,487	pieces, making	-	-	\$787,435
Quarter eagles,	-	4,400	do. do.	-	-	11,000
Half dollars,	-	4,797,000	do. do.	-	-	2,398,500
Quarter dollars,	-	320,000	do. do.	-	-	80,000
Dimes,	-	523,500	do. do.	-	-	52,250
Half dimes,	-	965,000	do. do.	-	-	48,250
Cents,	-	2,362,000	do. do.	-	-	23,620
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Of the amount of gold coined within the last year, about \$80,000 were derived from Mexico, South America, and the West Indies; \$28,900 from Africa; \$678,000 from the gold region of the United States; and about \$12,000 from sources not ascertained.

Of the amount of gold of the United States, above mentioned, about \$34,000 may be stated to have been received from Virginia; \$458,000 from North Carolina; \$45,000 from South Carolina; \$140,000 from Georgia; and about \$1,000 from Tennessee.

The following statement exhibits the quantity of gold received from those districts of the United States which have thus far produced it in quantities sufficient to attract notice, commencing with the year 1824. Up to that period it had been received at the Mint only from North Carolina, from which quarter gold was first transmitted for coinage in the year 1804. During the interval, however, from 1804 to 1823, inclusive, the amount had not exceeded \$2,500 yearly.

	Virginia.	North Carolina.	South Carolina.	Georgia.	Tennessee.	Alabama.	Total.
1824	-	\$ 5,000	-	-	-	-	\$ 5,000
1825	-	17,000	-	-	-	-	17,000
1826	-	20,000	-	-	-	-	20,000
1827	-	21,000	-	-	-	-	21,000
1828	-	46,000	-	-	-	-	46,000
1829	\$ 2,500	134,000	\$ 3,500	-	-	-	140,000
1830	24,000	204,000	26,000	\$212,000	-	-	466,000
1831	26,000	294,000	22,000	176,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	520,000
1832	34,000	458,000	45,000	140,000	1,000	-	678,000
	86,500	1,199,000	96,500	528,000	2,000	1,000	1,913,000

It is rendered highly probable, by estimates entitled to great respect, that the quantity of gold of the United States delivered at the Mint within the last year does not much exceed the one-half of the production from the mines—nearly an equal amount being supposed to have been exported uncoined, or employed in the arts. If this conjecture be nearly correct, the production of gold from the United States during the year has not been less than a million and a quarter of dollars. This may be regarded as equal to one-sixth part of all the gold produced, within the same period, from the mines of Europe and America, estimated according to the results of recent years, as given by the best authorities.

The prevalence of a fearful epidemic in this and other cities of the United States was sensibly felt in a diminution of the usual demands on the Mint, and its productiveness within the third quarter of the year. In every department of the institution, labor was, during the prevalence of the danger, more lightly exacted; and it is stated, with much pleasure, that no individual employed in the establishment became a subject of the disease.

Operations, I have now the satisfaction to say, have been commenced in the new Mint for the proof of the machinery; and all the departments of the institution will be transferred in a few days to that edifice.

I have the honor to be, with great respect,

Your obedient servant,

SAMUEL MOORE.

The PRESIDENT of the United States.

